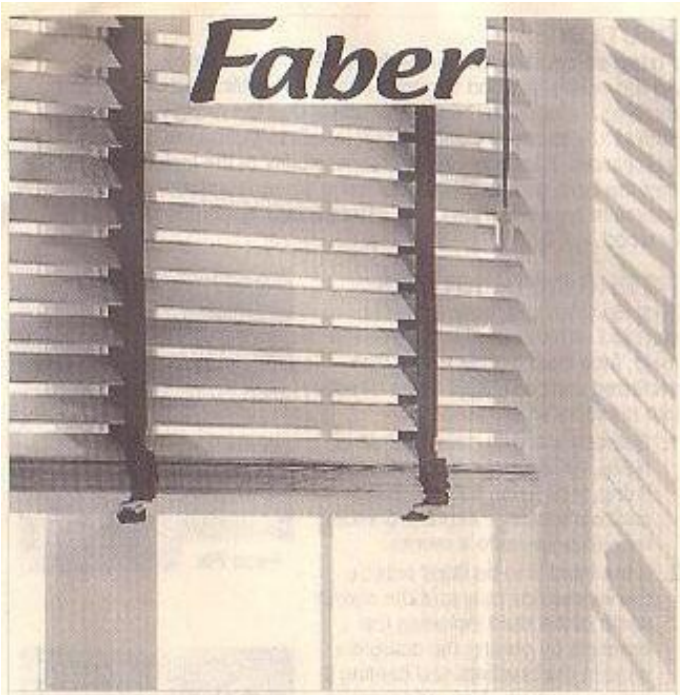

FIXING & OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS for WOOD VENETIAN BLINDS

OPERATING THE BLIND

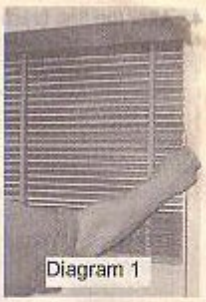
Diagram 1

1. The standard position for the lifting cords to raise/lower the blind is on the RH side. The cords are joined together with a single acorn pull fitting.
2. To lower the blind pull the cord towards the left and gently down until the cord lock releases. Allow the cord to slip through your fingers until the blind reaches the required level. Now move the same cord to the right and the blind will automatically lock (Diagram 1).
3. To raise the blind pull the cord down until the slats reach the required height then move the cord to the right to lock the blind.
4. The tilt control for the blind is positioned as standard on the LH side. There are two separate cords fitted with slightly smaller acorn pull fittings. Pull one or other cord to tilt the wood slats to the required angle.

Note: Always tilt the slats to the horizontal position before raising or lowering the blind. This will increase the efficiency and life of the blind.

Diagram 2

To Remove the Blind

To remove the blind from the brackets, detach the wooden valance and open the hinge section of both end brackets (using a screwdriver if necessary to prise open the brackets). To reduce the risk of damage the blind should only be removed in the fully raised position.

Care of the Blind

Due to the quality of wood and finishing processes used in the manufacture of the product, it requires minimal care. The only maintenance required is an occasional clean with either a damp sponge without detergent, or one of the blind dusters sold in DIY stores.

WOOD VENETIAN BLINDS

As with all natural wood products variations in shade and graining of the timber may occur and although the wood is very stable, the product may react to the environment. If the product is exposed to excessive heat and moisture there is a possibility some warping and twisting of the wood may occur.

CAUTION

Fixing screws are not provided with the brackets.

As the weight of wood venetian blinds is significantly more than traditional aluminium blinds it is critical that the fixing screws are sufficiently sturdy in diameter and length to guarantee a quality installation. It is therefore the responsibility of the installer to ensure that the type, size and length of fixing screw is appropriate for the particular type of surface, e.g. plasterboard, concrete, brick, UPVC or wood.

FITTING INSTRUCTIONS

The universal end fixing brackets supplied with this product can be top fixed, face fixed or side fixed. The preferred method is side fixing directly into masonry where possible.

Diagram A

Diagram B

Diagram C

1. Select the appropriate method of fixing. Diagrams A & B show side fixing, face fixing and top fixing inside a recess. Diagram C shows face fixing outside a recess.
2. If the blind is to be fitted outside the recess first measure the overall width of the blind including the brackets by placing the complete blind in the brackets and holding it tight in position. Now add 3mm to this dimension for ease of assembly. This dimension will be required to mark the position of the second bracket (point 4).
   If the blind is to be fitted inside the recess the brackets should be positioned as close as possible to the sides and top of the recess.
3. Hold one bracket in the required position and mark the position of the screw holes. Drill 2 holes and plug if necessary with a wall plug (not supplied). Fit the bracket using appropriate screws.
4. After the first bracket is fitted carefully position and fix the second bracket in the same manner. Make sure the brackets are level and the correct distance apart.
5. For blinds over 801mm wide intermediate "U" shaped centre support brackets will be provided. The centre support brackets should be positioned between the ladderbraid spacings.
6. To assemble the blind into the brackets first make sure the blind is in the fully raised position, then open each hinged end bracket and carefully locate the headrail into each bracket (Diagram D). Push the headrail carefully to the back of each bracket and lock the hinged bracket cover to secure the blind (Diagram E).

Diagram D

Diagram E

Attaching the Valance Profile

1. After the blind is fitted position the matching wood valance on the front of the headrail. The valance is secured to the headrail by means of dual lock fastening tape attached to the back of the valance and the front of the headrail (which can be seen on diagram E).
2. If the blind is fitted outside the recess an external valance with return ends will be supplied. This again will be secured to the headrail and also the side of the brackets by means of the fastening tape (Diagram F).
3. The blind is now installed and ready for operation.

Diagram F